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In re Application of: Yutaka Yamagata et al.

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For: LIQUID TREATMENT DEVICE WITH STORAGE TANK AND DELIVERY TANK

Dear Mr. Pardini:

This is in response to your letter received on 17 January 2001 inquiring about the status of the U.S. national stage of international application no. PCT/JP00/01298. Applicant's first submission of items concerning a filing under 35 USC 371 was received by the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) on 31 October 2000. This national stage submission has been assigned U.S. Application No. 09/674,304 and is currently being processed. Applicant will be notified shortly concerning the results of this processing in the DO/EO/US.

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